Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 29 Oct 2020 until 23:59 on Friday 30 Oct 2020

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 28 Oct 2020 at 15:08 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for very unsettled and windy spell of weather, with Friday looking the best day, but lower for timings of the various bands of rain expected to affect the area.

Headline for Thursday 29 Oct 2020: Bright start but cloud increasing with afternoon rain. Windy.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 29 Oct 2020

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sleet showers (night)	Sleet showers (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain
Precipitation probability							
30%	30%	10%	<05%	30%	70%	90%	80%

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Weather: Any showers, wintry above about 900m, slowly dying out. Then a mainly dry and bright start to the day but cloud increasing from the southwest bringing outbreaks of rain, perhaps preceded briefly by some sleet or wet snow on highest summits, for the afternoon, the rain most persistent and occasionally heavy across the south.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Around 75% through the morning and in the north through much of the afternoon with occasional cloud above 750m. However during the afternoon chances fall to near zero in the south and west with cloud here more persistent above 450m with patches below.

Visibility: Very good or excellent falling to several kilometres in rain and any summit snow

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	32/39 SW	28/36 SW	25/32 SW	22/27 S	26/33 SE	29/37 SE	29/38 SE	35/46 S	37/50 SW
900	29/37 SW	27/34 SW	24/32 SW	21/26 S	24/30 SE	26/34 SE	25/34 SE	32/43 S	35/48 SW
600	20/28 SW	17/24 SW	15/22 SW	13/20 S	15/23 SE	20/28 SE	17/26 SE	22/33 S	25/37 SW
300	6/29 SW	4/24 SW	3/20 SW	2/14 S	3/16 SE	6/22 E	3/17 SE	7/33 S	10/36 SW
Glen	11/25 SW	8/21 SW	6/17 S	6/13 SE	9/18 E	13/23 E	12/25 SE	14/33 S	15/31 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	2/-6	1/-6	1/-6	1/-5	2/-4	3/-3	5/-1	7/1	7/2
900	2/-4	2/-5	1/-5	2/-4	3/-3	4/-2	6/0	7/2	8/2
600	4/-1	4/-1	4/-1	4/-0	6/2	6/2	7/3	9/5	9/5
300	7/5	6/4	6/4	6/4	7/6	6/4	8/7	10/9	10/8
Glen	9/6	8/6	8/6	8/6	10/7	10/7	11/8	13/10	13/10
Freezing Level*	1300m	1200m	1100m	1100m	1700m	2300m	2500m	2600m	2400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Gusts around 55mph possible over ridges and summits during the evening.

Forecast for Friday 30 Oct 2020
Weather: Rather cloudy with patchy light rain through the early hours. The cloud breaking soon after dawn with sunny spells developing and, especially across the north, the occasional shower.

Maximum wind: Westerly 25mph, with gusts around 45mph at first over ridges and summits gradually backing southerly and easing 10-15mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Around 75% with occasional cloud above 750m, improving close to 100% through the afternoon across the south with little or no cloud below summits by mid-afternoon.

Visibility: Very good, falling to several kilometres in rain and showers

Temperature: **Glens:** Around plus 6 Celsius rising to plus 11 Celsius by day
At 800m: Plus 8 Celsius falling to plus 2 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits falling close to the higher summits

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